

Mayor and Council Dedicate New Artwork in Rockville

On Sept. 19, Rockville’s Mayor and Council dedicated two new works of art – *Starstruck* by Mary Ann Mears and *Everyone Has A Song To Sing* by Judith Ingles. *Starstruck* is located at the F. Scott Fitzgerald Theatre, and *Everyone Has A Song to Sing* can be found at the Rockville Senior Center.

The works were funded through the Art in Public Architecture and Art in Public Places projects in the City’s Capital Improvements Programs.

Mary Ann Mears received her master’s degree in creative arts-sculpture from New York University and a bachelor’s degree with distinction and honors in art from Mount Holyoke College. She has a work in progress for the Educational Technology Complex at the North Carolina School of Science and Math in Durham.

Her public art commissions include: *Sky Dancing* for the Student Recreation Center, University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill, N.C.; *Arboresque* for the Centre at Park Forest, Park Forest, Ill.; *River Flight* for the lobby of Park Charles, Baltimore, Md.; *Streaming* for the Owings Mills Station, Baltimore Metro, Baltimore, Md.; *Volary* for Trappers Alley, Detroit, Mich.; *Beacon* for Bethesda Metro Plaza, Bethesda, Md.; *Esperance* for Ella Grasso Regional Center, Stratford, Conn.; and *Larks en Ciel* for Rainbow Centre, Niagara Falls, N.Y.

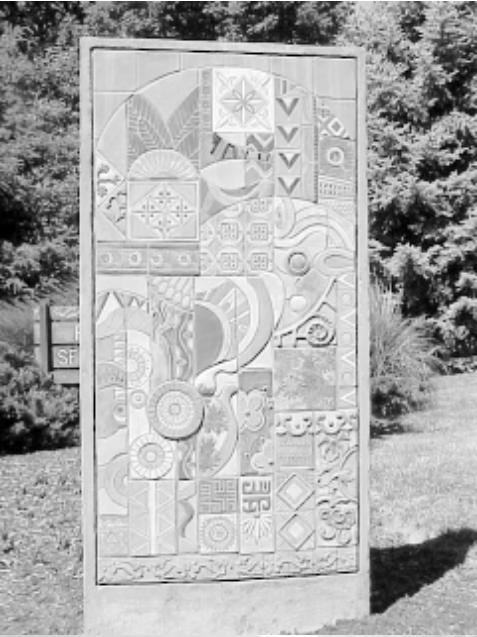
Mears received the Governor’s Arts Award in 1996. She is a member of the National Endowment for the Arts American Canvas Committee, Maryland State Arts Council, and Arts Education in Maryland Schools Consortium, as well as a trustee of Maryland Citizens for the Arts and Maryland Arts Place.

Judith Ingles received her bachelor’s degree from Sarah Lawrence College in Bronxville, N.Y., and studied sculpture and ceramics at Boston Museum School of Fine Arts in Boston, Mass. Her recent art commissions include: a ceramic mural for the town library, Kanegasaki, Japan; Three framed ceramic murals for Hendry County Public Health Unit, LaBelle, Fla.; four ceramic medallions for St. Francis Hospital, Hartford, Conn.; and a ceramic frieze for Dart Tyler-Vernon Station, Dallas, Texas.

Her local public art commissions include: ceramic murals for Broad Acres Elementary School, Silver Spring, Md.; Luxmanor Elementary School, Rockville, Md.; Quince Orchard High School, Gaithersburg, Md.; Twinbrook Elementary School, Rockville, Md.; and Clopper Mill School, Germantown, Md.

Ingles’s ceramic murals also are located at the indoor pool of the Rockville Municipal Swim Center, Rockville, Md., and at the Administration-Education Building of the National Zoological Park, Washington, D.C.

“Everyone Has A Song To Sing” by Judith Ingles (Rockville Senior Center)



“Starstruck” by Mary Ann Mears (F. Scott Fitzgerald Theatre lobby)

Fourth Annual F. Scott Fitzgerald Literary Conference



Don’t miss the Fourth Annual F. Scott Fitzgerald Literary Conference on Sept. 25 and 26, at the Theatre Arts Building, Montgomery College, Rockville campus.

E.L. Doctorow, one of America’s most distinguished writers, will receive the Fourth Annual F. Scott Fitzgerald Literary Award. The presentation of the award and a reading by Doctorow will cap off the two-day conference.

At this year’s conference, Jim and Kate Lehrer are featured speakers. In addition, Eleanor Lanahan and Cecilia Ross, Fitzgerald’s granddaughters, will share impressions about their grandfather in a conversation with Henry Allen. The conference also includes a visit to Fitzgerald’s gravesite in Rockville, a tour of F. Scott Fitzgerald’s Baltimore, and workshops featuring nationally known writers.

Call 301-309-9461 to register for the conference or for more information. The cost is \$70 for all Saturday events, and \$60 for seniors or students for all Saturday events; \$25 for only the Saturday evening awards ceremony and reading (\$20 for students and seniors); \$25 for the Tour of Fitzgerald’s Baltimore on Sunday; and \$20 for the Sunday poetry workshop.

The conference is sponsored by: the City of Rockville; Peerless Rockville Historic Preservation, Ltd.; the Gazette Newspapers; the F. Scott Fitzgerald Society; the Writer’s Center; Montgomery College; Rockville Cultural Arts Commission; Rockville Rotary Foundation; Montgomery County Commission on the Humanities; Maryland Humanities Council; and Saint Mary’s Church.

Rockville Concert Band

Invites you to dress up in costume and attend its

Halloween Concert



Sunday,
October 31

3 p.m.

F. Scott Fitzgerald Theatre

Rockville Civic Center Park

Free, Donations Accepted

Future concerts include:
Sunday, November 21, 3 p.m.
Sunday, December 19, 3 p.m.



Mark your calendar for the Rock’n Ville Jazz Band performance at the Antique and Classic Car Show on Saturday, October 16, at Rockville Civic Center Park

Nominations Sought for Rockville Arts Awards

Rockville residents are invited to nominate individuals and/or organizations to receive the 2000 Rockville Arts Awards. The awards were established to encourage and honor artistic excellence in its many forms in Rockville.

Sponsored by the City's Mayor and Council and the Cultural Arts Commission, the Rockville Arts Awards honor those people who significantly nurture the furtherance of the arts in Rockville. The awards also recognize individuals, arts organizations, and arts patrons (corporate and private) for their exemplary involvement in and support to the arts.

Arts Awards Categories

- Rockville High School Students (grades 9-12) for Achievement in the Performing (theatre, dance, and music), Visual, and Literary Arts**
Presented to individual students who have demonstrated outstanding accomplishments in one of the art forms listed above. Students must live in or attend school within the corporate limits of the City of Rockville.
- Volunteer Support to the Arts in Rockville**
Presented to an individual or organization providing support to the arts through ongoing efforts or a special arts project for which no financial compensation for provision of time and talents was received.
- Corporate and Business Support to the Arts in Rockville**
Presented to a business that has made a major contribution to the arts in Rockville via: financial support, in-kind service, arts-related programming, provision of facility use to an arts group, enhancement of a public space with a public art project, or other arts-related efforts that have benefited the community.
- Life-time Achievement for Work with the Visual, Performing, or Literary Arts**
Presented to an individual who has consistently made significant contributions to the art either through excellence in the creation of an art form (visual, performing, or literary) or through support to the arts in Rockville.

Nomination Process

Nomination forms must be submitted by 5 p.m. on Friday, Nov. 19, 1999. Send the form to:

City of Rockville Arts Awards
Glenview Mansion at Rockville Civic Center Park
603 Edmonston Drive
Rockville MD 20851

Note: No individual or organization may nominate themselves.

Selection Process

An independent panel of knowledgeable and distinguished representatives of the regional arts community, businesses, and schools will review all nominations and select the awardees. Winners will receive their awards at the City of Rockville's Third Annual Arts Awards Gala on Jan. 2, 2000 at the F. Scott Fitzgerald Theatre. The awards are administered by the Arts Division, Department of Recreation and Parks.

Note: All awards are determined at the discretion of the panel. The panel is under no obligation to make an award in each category or be limited to only one award in any given category.

For more information about the 2000 Rockville Arts Awards, call the City's Arts Division at 301-309-3357.

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Rockville Arts Awards and Gala

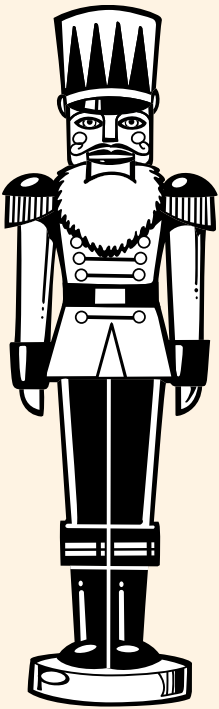
Sunday, January 2, 2000
3-5 p.m.
F. Scott Fitzgerald Theatre

Awards Presentation, Entertainment, and Refreshments

Cost: \$20 Per Couple or \$12 Per Person
Reservations are Required

- Arts Awards to Honor:**
- Rockville High School Students for Achievements in the Arts
 - Volunteer Support to the Arts in Rockville
 - Corporate/Business Support to the Arts in Rockville
 - Life-time Achievement for Work in the Visual, Performing, and Literary Arts

For tickets or more information, call 301-309-3357.



Rockville Civic Ballet Presents

The Nutcracker

Under the direction of Claudia Mangan, the Ballet will present this holiday classic.

Saturday, December 4 and 11,
2:30 p.m. and 7:30 p.m.
Sunday, December 5,
1 p.m. and 4:30 p.m.
Sunday, December 12,
2:30 p.m.

- Ticket Prices:** \$7 General Admission
\$5 Children (12 and younger) and Seniors (60 and older)
- Group Rates:** \$6.50 each for groups of seven or more General Admission tickets
\$4.50 each for 10 or more Children/Senior tickets

Assigned seat tickets may be purchased in advance at City Hall, 9 a.m.-4 p.m., or by mail beginning Nov. 8. For additional information, fliers will be distributed in late October.

Take a Self-Guided Walking Tour of Art in Public Places Sculpture on the Grounds

Rockville Civic Center Park

September 22-October 17

Juried Exhibit of Loaned Artwork by Regional Artists
John Mors, Arlington, Va. Robert Sanabria, Leesburg, Va.
James Paulsen, Baltimore, Md. David Peirick, Baltimore, Md.
Edna Searles, Clarksburg, Md.

Brochures with artist's statements, biographical information, and a map of sculpture locations are available at Glenview Mansion.

The Mayor and Council of the City of Rockville present

Spirit of Rockville

A CELEBRATION OF CULTURES

Wear a costume from
your native land
and participate in the
Parade of Costumes
at 3:30pm!

Sunday, 1– 6 p.m.
Sept. 26, 1999

FREE ADMISSION
Rockville Civic Center Park

Travel the world without leaving Rockville!

AFRICA

Andrew Cacho's African Troupe (drummers, stiltwalkers, and masqueraders)

EUROPE

Volksmarch (10K walk)
Gypsy Strings (Russian and
Mediterranean music)
Alte Kameraden (Bavarian band)

Alpenveilchan Dancers (German folk dancers)
Puppet Show (featuring European folk stories)
Make a Lantern!

ASIA

Fashion Show (featuring costumes from the Philippines)
Loom Weaving Demonstration (scarves and belts)
Bamboo Dancing

SOUTH/CENTRAL AMERICAS

Mariachi Band
Coffee-Making Demonstration

Make a Pinata!
Tortilla-Making Demonstration

NORTH AMERICA

Native American Dancers
Broadway Show Tunes

Hula Dancers
Gumbo Junkyard (Zydeco/Mardi Gras music)

See *Reptiles from Around the World* featuring snakes, geckos, turtles, iguanas, and a python.

Savor the flavor of international food and beverages.

THANKS to the Diversity and the Arts Action Team, Peerless Rockville, and Rockville Sister City Corporation.

For more information visit www.ci.rockville.md.us or call 301-309-3334 (recorded line).

Any individuals with disabilities who may require assistance to attend this event, or who have questions about accessibility, may contact the ADA Coordinator at 301-309-3300 (TDD 301-309-3187).

Rockville Designated A White House Millennium Community



WHITE HOUSE
MILLENNIUM COUNCIL
Honor the Past—Imagine the Future

Thanks to the efforts of Rockville's Millennium Celebration Committee, the City has been designated as a *White House Millennium Community*. With this designation, the City will be able to use the White House Millennium Community logo for all of its activities and programs celebrating the new millennium. The City's Millennium Celebration Committee, appointed by the Mayor and Coun-

cil, submitted Rockville and its array of millennial events for this honor.

As a *White House Millennium Community*, Rockville will participate in the following federal programs:

- **Millennium Trails**

This program is a national initiative to spark creation or enhancement of more than 2,000 trails. The City will apply for this designation for its Rockville Millennium Trail, a planned 10-mile, multi-use trail that will circle the city. It will provide access to numerous destinations within the city and connect to other city and Montgomery County bikeways.

- **Tell Your Family Story**

My History is America's History is a program to help explore your family's story and learn more about its place in the making of our nation. Activity kits will explain how to interview your relatives, preserve family photos and heirlooms, put your family's journey in historical context, and more. This activity will be integrated into an after-school program the City currently provides.

- **Take a Flight of the Imagination ...to Mars**

The Mars Millennium Project is challenging students to imagine creating a village for 100 transplanted earthlings on the planet Mars in the year 2030. It will be an activity included in our teen after-school program.

- **Expand Your Horizons**

Since 1957, Rockville and Pinneberg, Germany have remained sister cities – cities sharing the common goal to make our world a little smaller, a little friendlier, and a little more understanding. Over the years, those involved in the program have learned to appreciate another country's culture and developed lasting and meaningful friendships with the residents of Pinneberg. The committee will work with the Rockville Sister City Corporation to tie in millennial activities with our Sister City.

In addition to being awarded this national designation, Rockville's Mayor and Council and members of the Rockville Millennium Committee are busy planning a series of

events to celebrate the new millennium. The goals and objectives of the celebrations are to: include all ages; provide fun for all; include the various ethnic groups and denominations that make up the city; provide events that are free or of minimal cost; and create a legacy that lasts beyond the year 2000.

The City will celebrate the millennium by enhancing existing events with a "millennium twist," as well as introducing new programs and events specifically created to celebrate the entry into the 21st century. All events will be coordinated with other jurisdictions.

The committee kicked off Rockville's millennium celebrations on July 4, 1999, at the City's Independence Day concert and fireworks show, and the committee promises much more throughout 2000. Take a look at what is planned:

- **Millennium Garden**

Volunteers from community garden clubs will plant a garden and work with City staff to maintain it. The garden, located in Jacquilin Trells Williams Park,

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